GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - PR&RD Dept. - Allegations of Corruption against Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district (now retired) – Trapped on 30.06.2011 – Pending in Court of law - Departmental action initiated – Articles of Charges framed – WSD submitted - Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer appointed – Inquiry Report received – Charges proved – Imposing a penalty of 'withholding of 5% pension for a period of two years' – Orders - Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG-III)DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 908 **Dated: 14-11-2025**

Read the following:

1. From the Director General, ACB, A.P., Rc.No.152/RCT-VSK/2011, dt.06.07.2013.
2. Govt. Memo.No.15128/Vig.IV/A1/2011-2, PR&RD(Vig.IV) Dept., dt.05.09.2013.
3. Proceedings of CEO, ZPP, Srikakulam Rc.No.3689/2011/C2 (C4), dt.07.11.2013.
4. WSD submitted by Sri B.V.Ramana, Superintendent & MPDO (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam dist., dt.02.01.2014.
5. From the Commissioner, P.R., A.P., Lr.Rc.No.959879/CPR&RD/ VIGACB/2011, dt.19.01.2024.
6. From the CEO, ZPP, Srikakulam letter Rc.No.3689/2011/C2, dt.09.01.2024.
7. G.O.Rt.No.166, PR&RD (Vig.III) Dept., dt.22.02.2024.
8. From the Commissioner, P.R., A.P., Lr.Rc.No.959879/CPR&RD/ VIGACB/2011, dt.17.06.2024.
9. Govt. Memo No.15128/Vig.III/A1/2011, dt.25.02.2025.
10. From the CEO, ZPP, Srikakulam Lr.Rc.No.3689/2011/C2, dt.25.03.2025.
11. Govt. Memo No. 15128/Vig.III/A1/2011, dt.15.05.2025.
12. From the Commissioner, P.R., A.P., Lr.No.959879/CPR&RD/ Vig.ACB/2019, dt.30.10.2025.

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In the reference 1st read above, the Director General, ACB, A.P., had furnished a final report in the ACB trap case of Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district (now retired), wherein it was requested to initiate departmental action under Rule 9(7) r/w 3(1) & (2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 against the Accused officer for non-submission of Annual Property Returns.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, the Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Srikakulam had issued Articles of Charges against Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district (now retired), for violation of Rule 9(7) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 as follows:

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Charge:

Sri Behara Venkataramana, s/o. late Peeru, aged 54 years, Office Superintendent and MPDO (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district failed to submit Annual Property Returns to the concerned authorities of the Department throughout his service and thereby violated the A.P.C.S. (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Sri Behara Venkataramana, s/o. late Peeru, aged 54 years, Office Superintendent and MPDO (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district by his above mentioned act, has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of member of service and thereby contravened the Rule 9(7) r/w 3(1),(2) of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

3. In the reference 4th read above, Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district (now retired) had submitted his Written Statement of Defence.

4. In the reference 5th read above, the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj, A.P., has informed that the Charged Officer had retired form service on 31.08.2017 on attaining the age of superannuation and after examination of the matter, in the reference 7th read above, the Government have issued orders appointing the Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Srikakulam as Inquiry Officer, under Rule 20 (2) of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991, to conduct detailed Inquiry against Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district(retired) on the charges framed against him and also appointed Sri K.Bhaskara Rao, Inspector of Police, ACB, Srikakulam Range as Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiry Officer, on behalf of the Government, under Rule, 20 (5) (C) of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991.

5. In the reference 8th read above, the Inquiry Report was furnished stating that the Charged Officer has not filed Annual property Statements in his entire service from his date of joining into Government Service and hence the charges framed against the Charged Officer i.e., Sri Behara Venkata Ramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district(Retired) was held proved.

6. In the reference 9th read above, a copy of the Inquiry Report was communicated to the Charged Officer i.e., Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district(Retired). In the reference 10th read above, the explanation of the Charged Officer on the Inquiry Report was received.

7. After examining the report of the Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Srikakulam, the explanation submitted by the Charged Officer and material

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available on record, Government have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of withholding of 5% Pension for a period of two (2) years on the Charged Officer i.e., Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district(Retired) under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980 since the charge is held proved.

8. Accordingly, in the reference 11th read above, Sri Behara Venkata Ramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district(Retired) was directed to show cause as to why the penalty of withholding of 5% Pension for a period of two (2) years should not be imposed on him, under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980 within (10) days from the date of receipt the Memo . If no reply is received within the stipulated time, it will be construed that he has no explanation to offer and further action will be taken based on the material available on record as per rules in force.

9. As no explanation is received from the Charged Officer within the stipulated time, Government have decided to impose a penalty of withholding of 5% Pension for a period of two (2) years against the Charged Officer Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district(Retired) under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

10. Accordingly, Government hereby impose a penalty of withholding of 5% Pension for a period of two (2) years against the Charged Officer Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam district(Retired) under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980 since the charges are held proved

11. The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, A.P., Tadepalli is requested to take further action in the matter accordingly.

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Individual through the Commissioner, PR&RD., A.P., Tadepalli, Guntur District.
The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, A.P., Tadepalli, Guntur District.
Copy to
The Secretary to Vigilance Commission, A.P., Vigilance Commission.
The Director General, ACB, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Srikakulam dist. - for n/a.
The OSD to Hon'ble Dy. Chief Minister (PR&RD).
The PS to Principal Secretary to Govt., PR&RD dept.
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